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SUBJECT: GULF/ZAPATA PLANS TO DRILL IN EAST CHINA SEA

REF: SEOUL 1524 AND PREVIOUS.

1. DURING MARCH 12 MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER AMBASSADOR REVIEWED WITH HIM REASONS FOR OUR OPPOSITION TO GULF/ZAPATA PLANS FOR DRILLING IN EAST CHINA SEA. HE STRESSED THAT THIS POLICY WAS CONSISTENT WITH ACTIONS WE HAVE TAKEN ELSEWHERE IN SIMILAR SITUATIONS.

2. FONMIN DID NOT REPEAT NOT RAISE MAJOR OBJECTIONS TO US POSITION. HOWEVER, HE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT IMPOSSIBILITY OF WORKING OUT ANY ARRANGEMENTS WITH PRC COVERING CLAIMS OF BOTH COUNTRIES IN EAST CHINA SEA. AMBASSADOR SUGGESTED THAT ROKG FOCUS ON OIL DRILLING CLOSE IN SHORE OR IN AREAS NOT INVOLVING CONFLICTING CLAIMS. FONMIN SUGGESTED THAT USG MIGHT BE HELPFUL BY URGING GOJ RATIFICATION OF ROK/GOJ CONTINENTAL SHELF AGREEMENT.

3. IT POSSIBLE THAT FONMIN MAY RAISE THIS ISSUE WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL DURING HIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON.
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